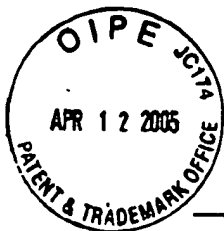


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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A two-month extension of time is believed to be due, as detailed in the attached documents. Any additional fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1390.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims: reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None

Remarks: begin on page 6 of this paper.